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- 1. AT RISK OF REPEATING WHAT ALREADY COMMUNICATED BY PHONE AND IN REPORTING CABLES, THIS INTENDED TO RECAP ATMOSPHERE OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S OPENING DAYS, SET STAGE FOR YOUR MUCH-AWAITED APPEARANCE, AND RECOMMEND, IN THIS CONTEXT, POINTS YOU COULD USEFULLY MAKE.
- 2. THEMES INSISTENTLY HEARD HERE IN PAST THREE DAYS HAVE BEEN SUCH FAMILIAR ONES OF: (1) RIGHT AND NEED OF COUNTRIES TO CONTROL OWN NATURAL RESOURCES; (2) GREATER PARTICIPATION OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN MANAGEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM; (3) UNFAIR TERMS OF TRADE; (4) DANGEROUSLY WIDENING GAP BETWEEN RICH AND POOR NATIONS; (5) UNDUE CONTROL OVER INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LEVERS BY TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS; (6) FAILURE TO IMPLEMENT DDII STRATEGY. FIRST THREE RECEIVING GREATEST ATTENTION.
- 3. THESE FAMILIAR THEMES SOUNDED AGAINST INSISTENT NOTE THAT GREATER JUSTICE -- AND IMPLIED GREATER LDC BARGAINING POWER, NEWLY-REALIZED IN PETROLEUM CRISIS -- DEMAND CONFIDENTIAL

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FUNDAMENTAL, FAR-REACHING REFORMS. AND A START ON THESE

REFORMS MUST COME SOON: THE POOR COUNTRIES HAVE ALREADY WAITED TOO LONG. SEVERAL REFERENCES MADE TO NEED FOR NEW THINKING, COMMITMENTS ALONG LINE OF MARSHALL PLAN.

- 4. BASIC DEMAND FOR FAIRER RETURN ON RAW MATERIALS GIVEN POWERFUL EXPRESSION IN IRANIAN FONMIN'S DOCUMENTED RATIONALE FOR RAISING OIL PRICES. HE CHARGED INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES DELIBERATELY DEPRESSED PRICES FOR MANY YEARS AT EXPENSE OF PRODUCING COUNTRIES. WHILE SOME DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED ESCALATION OF OIL PRICES HAS HARMED THEIR ECONOMIES, BASIC THRUST OF ASSEMBLY SO FAR IS THAT AT LEAST SOME PRICE INCREASES WARRANTED, AND THAT OVERDUE ADJUSTMENTS IN OTHER PRIMARY COMMODITIES SHOULD FOLLOW.
- 5. NOTEWORTHY ALSO THAT EVEN MODERATE, BALANCED STATE-MENTS BY DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SUCH AS BRITISH, FRENCH CANADIAN AND NEW ZEALAND, RECOGNIZE JUSTICE OF MANY COMPLAINTS OF DEVELOPING WORLD, AND PLEDGE SELVES TO TAKE ACTION. WITHIN REASONABLE LIMITS. TO REDRESS THEM.
- 6. WHILE THERE HAS BEEN EXPECTED RHETORIC AND EXAGGERATED, UNBALANCED DEMANDS, BASED ON THE IDEA THAT RIGHTS ARE ALL ON SIDE OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, DUTIES ON SIDE OF DEVELOPED, THERE HAVE ALSO BEEN COGENT CALLS FOR MODERATION, REMINDERS THAT DEVELOPING NATIONS HAVE NOTHING TO GAIN BY RECESSION IN DEVELOPED WORLD OR CONFRONTATION CAUSING CHAOS IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER. AND WHILE EXPRESSING IMPATIENCE AT LONG DELAYS IN RECEIVING THE JUSTICE THEY CONSIDER THEIR DUE, MOST SPOKESMEN FOR DEVELOPING NATIONS SO FAR INCLUDING YUGOSLAVIA AND MAYBE EVEN ALGERIA, APPEAR TO BE SEEKING COOPERATION RATHER THAN CONFRONTATION.
- 7. OBVIOUSLY WHAT MAJORITY OF ASSEMBLY WOULD LIKE TO HEAR IS YOUR ENDORSEMENT OF "NEW ECONOMIC ORDER." SHORT OF SUCH SWEEPING COMMITMENT, OUR READING OF CLIMATE HERE SUGGESTS FOLLOWING LINES AS USEFUL; (1) WE HAVE BEEN LISTENING SERIOUSLY TO WHAT WORLD COMMUNITY HAS BEEN SAYING HERE IN PAST FEW DAYS; (2) WE CONFIDENTIAL

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AGREE THAT NEW PATTERNS MUST EVOLVE FROM OLD, AS NEW CONDITIONS DEMAND; (3) RHETORIC ALONE IS NOT THE ANSWER, AND WE DO NOT INTEND TO TAKE REFUGE IN IT; (4) WHAT WE DO INTEND IS TO WORK WITH OTHERS IN THE HARD, REAL TASKS OF MAKING THE NECESSARY CHANGES, IN WAYS THAT WILL ENHANCE, NOT DIMINISH, THE WELL-BEING OF THE ENTIRE WORLD COMMUNITY. MEANINGFUL PROGRESS CAN COME ONLY IN A SPIRIT OF COOPERATION AND IN COMMON INTEREST.

8. ELABORATION OF U.S. IDEAS ON FOOD AND FERTILIZERS (SEE PARA F, COLOMBO 868) COULD BE MOST USEFUL, SINCE ALMOST EVERY SPEAKER HAS SIGNALED WORLD FOOD CRISIS, AND U.S. PROPOSALS HERE HAVE SET PATTERN FOR PRACTICAL WAY OF MAKING NEEDED CHANGES: CONCRETE, REALISTIC MEASURES, CAREFULLY WORKED OUT THROUGH PROPER INTERNATIONAL FORUMS, WITH AUTHENTIC COMMITMENTS TO ACTION BY GOVERNMENTS.

9. OBVIOUSLY IF YOU COULD ANNOUNCE ANOTHER COMPARABLE U.S. INITIATIVE AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD NOT ONLY BE AN EARNEST OF OUR SINCERITY, BUT ALSO ILLUSTRATION OF U.S. INTENTION TO MOVE IN PRACTICAL WAYS TO MEET LEGITIMATE DEMANDS OF DEVELOPING WORLD. SCALI

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